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Big Brother's Brendon Villegas and Rachel Reilly honeymoon at Aruba Marriott's Tradewinds Club



Rachel & Brendon at Marriott H2Oasis

Reality stars Brendon Villegas & Rachel Reilly, known from CBS' "Big Brother" series and "The Amazing Race" are honeymooning in Aruba. The couple married last Saturday atop the AT&T Center in downtown Los Angeles, where the bride arrived via helicopter at their wedding. They chose boutique hotel Tradewinds Club at the Aruba Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino to spend their honeymoon together. "We love it here", says Reilly smiling. "It is our first time in Aruba and we are enjoying it every bit".

The Aruba Marriott Resort congratulates the happy couple and wishes them the best of luck.

US-Israeli gap on Iran nukes widens

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The gap between Israel and the United States on Iran widened Sunday as Benjamin Netanyahu insisted on a "red line" from Washington as Tehran was "90 percent" towards having a nuclear weapon.

The Israeli leader, speaking on two US political talk shows, pressed the need for a categorical bar on Iran, saying such a safeguard had averted nuclear calamity with Russia during the Cold War and could do so again.

The United States says all options against Iran, including military action, remain on the table, but top officials reject so-called "red lines" as political grandstanding that might leave them at a strategic disadvantage.

To CNN and in a second interview with NBC -- both aired Sunday -- Netanyahu maintained that telling Iran there is a definite line it must step back from would serve as a pre-emptive and effective deterrent.

"If they know there's a point, a stage in their enrichment or other nuclear activities that they cannot cross because they'll face consequences, I think they will actually not cross it," he told CNN.

"It's important to put a red line before them and that's something we should discuss with the United States."

The Israeli prime minister said Iran was moving rapidly to complete enrichment of the uranium needed to produce a nuclear bomb. "In six months or so they'll be 90 percent of the way there," he said.

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Foundation Anti Droga Aruba announces a four-pronged campaign to reach all ages



Director Juendel Sprok with new book

The Aruban foundation dedicated to the prevention of drug abuse and offering counseling, FADA, announced that a multifaceted campaign, designed for ages from kindergarten through adult, has been initiated in island schools and communities. The philosophy of FADA is "the best cure for drug addiction is prevention."

Director of FADA, Juendel Sprok, displayed a new book, the first ever printed in Papiamentu, called "The Reality of Drug & Alcohol-Decision!"

It contains several factual

accounts of individuals who became addicted to every substance known to cause physical addiction, controlled, illegal drugs, to cigarettes and alcohol, and their detrimental effects. FADA does not ignore addictive substances because their use is not against the law, aiming to stop smoking and alcohol abuse. 2500 of these books have been printed and will be distributed for free, through the schools.

Shermine Maduro, leader of the program working with kindergarten and elementary schools, explained the importance of reaching children at a very early age, particularly if there is already some abuse in the family among parents or an older sibling.

It is necessary from very young to instill a determination to reject the use of addictive substances, and an understanding of their debilitating effects on the individual and the family.

This is being done with entertainment in the form of puppet shows, which have been proven to bring across the point, for the younger students.

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Downtown update: Last set of rails being installed and streetscape has begun



According to head of the InfraTeam, Raffy Kock, 90% of the rails for the street car have been installed and they are on the last set to conclude this phase of the work. The last pieces for the Havenstraat are being completed this week. At the same time, says Raffy Kock, the contractor in charge of the streetscape has also begun their work. They have begun preparing the ground for its new cover.

The new traffic flow created from Wilhelminastraat to L.G.Smith Boulevard or Weststraat via Schelpstraat will remain this way for the next eight weeks until the work in the Havenstraat is completed. The work includes the reconstruction of creating two lanes: one lane for vehicles and the other for the streetcar and busses which must reach the Arubus

terminal.

Raffy Kock also explained that the work of the streetscape, to be carried out by Mantbraca Corporation, will be executed in phases. The first phase will begin at the La Linda Store on, up to the corner of Dufry. Phase two continues up to the Bon Bini Bazaar, with the final phase extending all the way up to Niki Habibe.

The government is stressing that all the work is expected to be completed by the month of December with the streetcar in operation by the end of the year. Although, it appears that no one is holding their breath on this!

Reportedly, the streetcar, once in operation, will be travelling from the Paardenbaaistraat clear up to the Plaza Comercio and back while making eight stops enroute.

Foundation Anti Droga Aruba announces a four-pronged campaign to reach all ages

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L to R: John van der Biezen, Jeanira Kock-Wernet, Juendel Sprok and Shermine Maduro

For the older children, anti-drug lectures by local celebrities the students admire, have proven to be effective. This last technique will also be applied to the older children in secondary schools.

John van der Biezen talked of the "Youth to Youth" and Parent to Parent programs inaugurated to assist families in communication, and helping parents to recognize signs of drug use in the particularly vulnerable age of secondary school students. "This is one of the toughest times to attempt to lecture against substance abuse," he noted, "youth at this age are not inclined to listen to anything their elders have to say." An excellent eye-opening documentary has been produced by the SWITCH Foundation, telling real stories of islanders willing to come forward, who have become addicted. The destructive power of drug

abuse on the individual and their loved ones is graphically displayed, as well as the struggle and triumph of those who have overcome it.

Finally, Jeanira Kock-Wernet explained the Red Ribbon Program from FADA for 2012. Normally they would host a week of walks and seminars in October, but this year they wished to conduct a program which would more engage island youth. A contest has been announced inviting youngsters to form groups sponsored by an organization. It could be their schools, churches, sport groups, or community center; any organization that would benefit from the substantial cash prizes being awarded. Youngsters are required to create a skit, musical number, presentation or video to be aired at the Cas di Cultura in Oranjestad on Monday, December 10. The cash award will be won for the organiza-

tion they represent.

Schools are encouraged to contact FADA to arrange a visit to their classes, and those interested in entering this year's Red Ribbon program can get applications through their schools or at their offices at Campanasstraat #5 in Tarabna.

For more information on any drug question or problem, contact FADA at telephone 583-2999, or visit their website, <http://www.fundacionantidroga.org>.

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Government making all-out effort to relocate Valero employees



Recently, the government dedicated a series of meetings with different organizations and institutions on the island discussing the issue of Valero and trying to reach agreements that could benefit those Valero employees who will be laid off. The meetings were held in the Renaissance Conference Center. Everyone invited responded and was in attendance.

The object of the initiative of the government is to come up with options to facilitate the process of the transition; not just alternatives with respect to jobs, but also the facility to comply with their financial commitments until they can regain their stability.

The meetings included an interchange of information and ideas with 100 public and private companies with the potential for making a difference in the situation. On Tuesday afternoon they sat down with representatives of construction companies, thereafter with the banks, then Aruba Tourism Authority, Central Bank, IMSAM,

and others. On the first day they closed the day meeting with NV Companies of the government like Aruba Airport Authority, Elmar and Aruba Ports Authority, to name a few.

The banks, reportedly have indicated their willingness to sit down with each individual Valero employee who has financial obligations with the bank to offer some flexibility in their particular situation. They are prepared to offer favorable agreements to these employees.

Apparently, the group of employees from Valero are expertly trained and very skilled workers whose experience would enrich any local company or entity. The government relied heavily on Paul Arends during these meetings because of his knowledge of the Valero personnel and their capacity.

The government is still holding out the hope that the situation may turn around for the better and that the refinery will succeed in finding a buyer or new operator. Negotiations reportedly, have not ceased. There is a window of opportunity open for a possible partner or buyer between now and the end of the year, according to Prime Minister Eman.

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Urirama awaits that important judgment call!



The fight is still on; the Urirama area is still being threatened by monster windmills to be erected there. One thing is sure, people all across this island are 100% in favor of alternative energy for Aruba. The idea of being 100% free from fossil fuels and of reducing our cost of energy production and consumption excites every citizen here!

But, it is also very obvious that a large percentage of the community is very concerned about how to exactly go about accomplishing this noble objective. It appears that only those heavily politically aligned are clamoring blindly for continuing with the Urirama plans. It is so sad to listen to these persons make their pitch for setting up the monstrous windmills on the Urirama site in total oblivion to the myriad of evidence presented regarding the health hazard that these mills pose for human beings in the vicinity.

The reports of the devastating health consequences for windmills in populated areas (within less than 2 Kilometers) come from serious and reputable studies done by American, Dutch and German concerns. The Dutch, who at one time was all out to building more and more windmill parks, have recently publically declared that they can no longer proceed in light of the evidence surfacing all over about the health hazard these mills pose to their citizens. There is a country wide mandate to put a hold on any other windmill project in Holland until they can be dead certain that

there is no health damage from wind mills to citizens.

Again, those politically aligned have invented various non-founded arguments to reason away the Dutch's halt on these projects in defense of Aruba continuing with theirs. Be that as it may, it is clear that to any truly honest, open and concerned citizen, the risks are too great to continue blindly with setting up these mills at Urirama.

If you choose to ignore the health consequences and concentrate solely on the economic value of such a project, one has to question the good sense of our government officials and ask how could it possibly be that the arithmetic for coming up with a profit does not add up and they cannot see this!

For example, the government is claiming that the Urirama project will bring Aruba to a production of 50% of clean energy. This is the information that is being circulated every where and by all parties involved. While, with all due respect, the evidence proves totally otherwise! According to their own advisers and the government, the Vader Piet project delivers 20% of energy for Aruba and Urirama will produce another 20%, then the solar park will account for 10%. This will bring the total production of clean energy to 50%. So that, they claim, that the remaining 50% will be an easy step to take to bring the total to 100% of clean energy.

But, this information is simply not accurate! When I read the presentation made

by WEB to the Aruba Parliament about Urirama it clearly states that Vader Piet is currently producing 12% energy, and that Urirama (because of wind factor problems about 25% of the energy will not be usable) will produce about 9% of usable energy! Which means, according to the professionals at WEB, the total amount of wind energy together with Urirama will be 21% and not 40% as is being falsely proclaimed everywhere!

During the presentation of the Airport Solar Park proj-

ect, it was made clear that that solar project will account for about 3% of energy production! When you do the arithmetic and add it all up you get a total of 24% between Vader Piet, Urirama and the Airport Solar Park and not 50%!

When you do the economic evaluation, it is obvious that Urirama will be a terribly expensive project for a meager 9% of renewable energy!

And, now, the million dollar questions: why can't we come clean and tell the truth as it is? Why must we ignore all the reputable reports and investigations made about the health hazards? Why can we not decide to review the project again and make new evaluations as to location for placing it if we think it must be windmills and not more solar parks? After all, if I understand the government's vision, it is renewable energy they want, it is no more fossil fuel dependence...well it should not matter whether

this energy comes from the wind or the sun as long as we get the renewable energy we want!

And, if getting it from wind mills at Urirama has been proven to be a problem, well switch gears and get it from the sun! All the reports indicate that sun energy is cheaper and cleaner and is practically maintenance free and much less cumbersome to erect.

What we need now are men and women with backbone and guts to make that important call to put a halt to this project and rethink the whole matter. I know we have such men and women in our Parliament, I am only praying that they will be courageous enough to step up to the plate and do the right thing not the politically right thing! Let's do what is right for every citizen regardless of political affiliation or inclination!

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Aruba Tourism Authority (ATA) and Aruba Ports Authority (APA), joined by Florida Caribbean Cruise Association (FCCA) is inviting representatives of organizations interested in the cruise industry, and all persons who work or conduct business with cruise lines to attend a workshop on September 21st, 2012. FCCA offered to bring this training to Aruba as both members ATA and APA are 'Platinum Members' of FCCA.

The last day to register is **Wednesday, September 19**. To register send a mail to rosie.arends@arubaports.com stating the names of the persons attending and company information. The workshop is free.

The main goal of the workshop: "Shore Experiences; Profitable and Sustainable" is for tour operators to understand and learn the best methods to offer our visitors to the island an excellent service.

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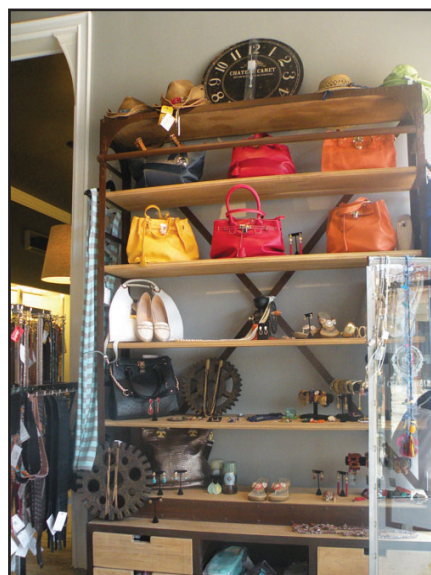
given by a representative of "Aquila Center for Cruise Excellence" of Canada. Aquila is a Tour operating company which was founded 30 years ago by the actual President of the company, Beth Hatt, a leader in the cruise industry who has received different awards. Mrs. Hatt has 30 years experience in the tourism industry and 20 years in the cruise line industry.

Non-members of FCCA can attend the first part of the training from 9 am to 10:30 am. After this a session exclusively for FCCA Tour Operator members will be given, which ends 1 p.m.

This workshop is for all those interested to learn more about the cruise market. Some topics that will be discussed are: Ports, destinations, excursion operators and other important partners who play a role in making the destination attractive in the cruise tourism world.

So everyone interested is invited to register and take advantage of this opportunity!

Daher & Co reopens at Alhambra Mall & Casino after refurbishment



This exclusive boutique, which is situated in the Al-

hambra Mall & Casino has undergone a complete transformation and can now offer its clientele a more spacious yet cozy shopping experience.

Owner Claudia Daher Ponson explained that the main concept behind the renovations was to create a space where both locals and tourists could feel at home.

"The transformation has been magnificent and now our clientele can enjoy the cozy atmosphere and first class service that we have to offer," says Mrs. Ponson.

The store first opened their doors a few months ago, introducing an alternative and elegant concept of shopping for the modern woman.

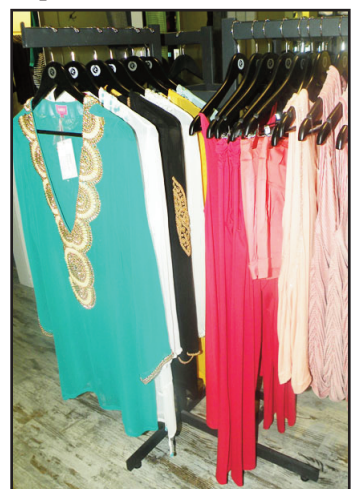
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(AFP)--But his call for a change of tack and stiffer warnings from Washington was rejected by Susan Rice, the US ambassador to the United Nations.

Rice maintained there was "no daylight" between US and Israel on preventing Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon, but her comments on the timescale of Tehran's ambitions jarred with Netanyahu's judgment.

"We think that there's still considerable time for this pressure to work," Rice said, refusing to acknowledge the red lines argument and insisting that US sanctions were working.

"Their economy is beginning to buckle. Their oil production is down 40 percent. Their currency has plummeted 40 percent in the last year."

But she added: "This is not an infinite window, and we've made very clear that the president's bottom line is Iran will not have a nuclear weapon."

Israel has consistently said a nuclear-armed Iran would pose an existential threat to the Jewish state and has wielded the threat of military action, but the United States favors sanctions and diplomatic arm twisting.

Major Western powers agree with Israel that Tehran is using its civilian nuclear program as a cover for building atomic weapons capability, a charge the Iranians have repeatedly denied.

But with relations between Netanyahu and President Barack Obama viewed as frosty, US Defense Secretary Leon Panetta on Friday further highlighted the policy split.

"The fact is, look, presidents of the United States, prime ministers of Israel or any other country -- leaders of these countries don't have,

you know, a bunch of little red lines that determine their decisions," Panetta said.

"What they have are facts that are presented to them about what a country is up to, and then they weigh what kind of action is needed to be taken in order to deal with that situation," he told Foreign Policy magazine.

"I mean, that's the real world. Red lines are kind of political arguments that are used to try to put people in a corner."

The White House was last week forced to deny a report that Obama had refused to meet Netanyahu in New York later this month, and said the two spoke by telephone on Tuesday and were united in their stance toward Tehran.

And with Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney accusing Obama of being a poor friend to Israel, Netanyahu has denied that he is guilty of meddling in US politics ahead of elections on

Billionaire Buffett cancer treatment over: report

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Billionaire investor Warren Buffett, 82, has completed radiation treatment for prostate cancer, according to a newspaper owned by the larger-than-life financier.

"It's a great day for me. Today I had my 44th and last day of radiation," the tycoon told executives of newspapers he recently acquired on Friday, according to a report on the website of The Omaha World-Herald.

Buffett -- known for his humble manner and modest tastes despite amassing billions as the mastermind and chief executive of investment firm Berkshire Hathaway -- had announced in April that he had an early stage of the cancer and would undergo treatment.

November 6.

Rice said in a separate interview with "Fox News Sunday" that US-Israeli relations were "stronger than ever," and insisted the only reason Netanyahu and Obama would not meet at the upcoming UN General Assembly in New York was because their schedules did not match.



A Jordanian soldier helps Syrian refugees fleeing violence in their country, after they crossed the border into Jordanian territory with their families from Syria into Jordan, near the town of Ramtha.

Mexican police find 17 bodies dumped on roadside

MEXICO CITY (AFP) - The bodies of 17 men, most of them tied up in chains and shot dead, were found dumped along a highway Sunday in a western Mexican state that is a violent battleground for rival drug cartels.

Jalisco state prosecutor Tomas Coronado quoted wit-

nesses as saying that people in trucks stopped along a road, tossed the bodies out and sped off.

Coronado said the men may have been killed in another state and left in Jalisco.

Jalisco borders on Michoacan, and both are among the states most ravaged by the country's drug violence.

Some 60,000 people have died in drug-related violence in Mexico since 2006, when the government ordered federal troops to take on the cartels.

The war between cartels is mainly over lucrative drug smuggling routes to the United States, but also over control of local crime rackets.

The violence seems relentless: on Friday 16 dead bodies were found in northern Mexico.

Nine of those dead were found hanging from a bridge in the northern border city of Nuevo Laredo, a killing spree authorities blamed on drug gang violence.

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US, Libya differ on accounts of Benghazi attack

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Top US and Libyan officials offered starkly different accounts Sunday about the attack on the US consulate in Benghazi that left the ambassador and three other Americans dead.

The US ambassador to the United Nations, Susan Rice, said it began with a spontaneous protest over the anti-Islamic video that had already set off similar protests in Egypt, leading to the storming of the US embassy there.

"We don't see at this point signs this was a coordinated plan, premeditated attack. Obviously, we will wait for the results of the (FBI) investigation and we don't want to jump to conclusions before then," Rice said.

Announcing the arrest of 50 suspects, Libya's parliament chief, however, blamed the attack on a few foreign extremists who he said entered Libya from Mali and Algeria and pre-planned it with local "affiliates and sympathizers."

Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula claimed the attack was revenge for the killing of the terror network's deputy leader Sheikh Abu Yahya al-Libi in a drone strike in June, but there is no clear evidence to support this claim.


US authorities initially leaned more toward the pre-meditated, well-planned assault angle, citing the fact that the attack came on the anniversary of 9/11.

Rice's comments are the strongest indication yet that -- even if the United States does believe the assault was the work of a small band of extremists -- it has no evidence to suggest planning prior to the protests.

But leading Republican senator and top Obama administration critic, John McCain, said it was ridiculous to believe this was anything other than a planned assault by extremists.

"Most people don't bring rocket-propelled grenades and heavy weapons to a demonstration," McCain told CBS's "Fact the Nation."

"That was an act of terror. And for anyone to disagree with that fundamental fact I think is really ignoring the facts."



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Hezbollah calls for week of Lebanon demos over film

BEIRUT (AFP) - Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasrallah on Sunday called for a week of angry protests across Lebanon over a US-produced film mocking Islam that triggered uproar in the Muslim world.

"The whole world needs to see your anger on your faces, in your fists and your shouts," Nasrallah said in a televised speech.

The head of the powerful Shiite Muslim organisation spoke just hours after Pope Benedict XVI left Lebanon following a historic three-day

visit in which he prayed that Middle East leaders would work towards peace and reconciliation.

Nasrallah noted that he purposely postponed his call for protests until after the pope's departure.

"The whole world should know that the Prophet has followers who will not be silent in the face of humiliation," said Nasrallah.

A low-budget movie, entitled "Innocence of Muslims", has sparked fury across the Islamic world for mocking the

Prophet Mohammed, and for portraying Muslims as immoral and gratuitously violent.

Nasrallah called for protests in southern Beirut on Monday, in the southern city of Tyre on Wednesday, in the eastern city of Baalbek on Friday, in Bint Jbeil in south Lebanon on Saturday, and in Hermel in the eastern Bekaa valley region on Sunday. All are majority Shiite areas.

He also called for people across the Islamic world to demonstrate against the film, which he described as "the

worst attack ever on Islam, worse than the Satanic Verses by Salman Rushdie, the burning of the Koran in Afghanistan and the cartoons in the European media."

The United States on Thursday imposed new sanctions on Nasrallah and two other figures in the Shiite militia over their support of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad.

The US Treasury move adds to measures already levied on Hezbollah, which was first designated by Washington as a terrorist group in 2001.

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Canada to stop opposing asbestos hazard listing

MONTREAL (AFP) - Canada dropped its longtime opposition to global restrictions on asbestos, dealing a blow to the country's dying mining industry of the fire-resistant substance.

Canada has long led efforts against listing chrysotile asbestos as a hazardous material under the United Nations Rotterdam Convention, which requires exporters to warn importing countries of any dangers and allows them to ban its import.

The listing, however, would not on its own ban the sale of asbestos.

Canada is the only G8 country opposed to the listing. Last year, it joined Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Ukraine and Vietnam in objecting to such a move.

Industry Minister Christian Paradis said the policy change followed plans by Quebec's provincial premier-elect, Pauline Marois, to end production of the substance in Canada's only province producing the fireproofing

and insulating fibers.

Marois cancelled Can\$58 million (\$60 million) in loan guarantees offered by her predecessor to restart Jeffrey Mine in the province.

"As a direct consequence of her decision, Canada will no longer oppose the listing of chrysotile asbestos as a dangerous substance under the Rotterdam Convention," Paradis said.

The Jeffrey Mine and the nearby Thetford Mine were Canada's last two operating asbestos mines. Their recent closures marked the first time in 130 years that Canada, which once dominated world production, had suspended production of the mineral.

According to the last figures available, Canada exported 750,000 tonnes of asbestos in 2006. India, Indonesia and the Philippines, among others, have been major importers of Canadian asbestos.

The fibrous crystal mineral is primarily used as building insulation because of its

sound absorption and resistance to fire, heat and electrical damage, but exposure to it can cause lung inflammation and cancer.

Critics say asbestos exposure claims more than 107,000 lives around the world each year.

Last year, Paradis pointed to scientific reviews that found asbestos can be used under controlled conditions, but the opposition said the government was ignoring advice from its own scientists to stop mining and exporting it.

KINOKAWA, Japan : This combo shows undated handout pictures released from Japan's Kinki University professor Shigeki Hontsu showing a tooth-patch (top), an ultra thin biocompatible film made from hydroxyapatite, being applied (bottom) onto the front teeth of a man at his laboratory in Kinokawa in Wakayama prefecture, western Japan. Hontsu and his team have created a microscopically thin film that can coat individual teeth to prevent decay or to make them appear whiter.



AFP PHOTO

Death toll up to 20 in Czech alcohol poisoning outbreak



PRAGUE (AFP) - A 63-year-old man died Sunday in the Czech Republic after drinking bootleg spirits tainted with methanol, bringing the death toll from an outbreak of alcohol poisoning to 20, hospital staff said.

The man was found unconscious on week-end at a railway station in the eastern town of Prerov and was hospitalised in a very serious condition.

Eastern regions of the country have been hit hardest by what Czech experts describe as the worst wave of alcohol poisoning in three decades, but a first case has also been reported in the capital Prague.

Around 40 people remained in hospital Sunday from the outbreak, which claimed its first two victims on September 6 and prompted the health minister on Friday to ban the sale of liquor with an alcohol content of over 20 percent.

Poland, which borders eastern Czech Republic, on Sunday banned the sale of all alcohol manufactured by its neighbour, except for beer and wine.

Czech police have to date charged 22 people in connection with the case. On Friday, they raided thousands of bars,

restaurants and shops across the country for traces of bootleg alcohol.

Czech police chief Martin Cervicek spoke Sunday of progress in the investigation, telling public radio station CRO1 that officers were on the trail of those who may have supplied the material used to manufacture the spirits.

Aside from having the world's highest per capita beer consumption, the Czechs have the world's second highest rate of alcohol intake after Moldova, according to a World Health Organisation survey for 2011.

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Apple fends off Samsung challenge



WASHINGTON (AFP): Apple's iPhone 5 is one of the biggest product launches ever in the sector, and may also deliver a well-timed stimulus to the US economy ahead of the presidential election, analysts say.

Apple is expected to sell as many as 10 million of the devices in just the first days of the launch starting Sept 21, and upwards of 50 million in the fourth quarter, including a big chunk in the United States.

JP Morgan economist Michael Feroli said he sees the iPhone 5 adding between 0.25 and 0.5 percentage points to

US economic activity in the fourth quarter, based on projected US sales of eight million.

Feroli said it was a simple math calculation: if the phones are worth \$600, including carrier subsidies, minus \$200 for import costs, that would be \$3.2 billion in net sales, or \$12.8 billion at an annual rate, boosting gross domestic product (GDP) by 0.33 points.

Cary Leahey, chief US economist at Decision Economics, said the calculation "makes sense."

"To believe that more spending will provide an eco-

nomie boost, you have to believe — as you should — that demand, not supply, is what's holding the economy back," Krugman wrote.

Krugman added that "over time, there will be more equipment that needs replacing, more iPhone-like innovations that boost spending, and, in the long run, we will exit this economic trap."

Even before the iPhone 5, Apple cited a study showing it has created or supported more than 500,000 US jobs, including 47,000 at Apple alone and 200,000 in the so-called "app economy."

Apple's launch comes amid a spate of new product releases expected to woo US consumers in the pre-holiday season.

A series of legal battles are pending around the world, including claims by Samsung that Apple illegally used the South Korean electronics firm's wireless communications technology.

Apple has asked the court to ban some of the newer 4G phones from Samsung's Galaxy line in the case.



Neil Armstrong Burial at Sea: Members of the US Navy are seen during the burial at sea service for Neil Armstrong aboard the USS Philippine Sea (CG 58), Friday, in the Atlantic Ocean. Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon during the 1969 Apollo 11 mission, died Saturday, Aug. 25. He was 82.

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Eurozone leaders enjoy 'good week' while it lasts

NICOSIA (AFP) - Eurozone leaders had a "good week" with a vital German court decision and Dutch elections going their way, even if bailouts for Greece and Spain remain up in the air.

On the back of a decision by the European Central Bank to ease pressures on bond markets, finance ministers could tackle difficult issues including treaty obstacles to a banking union.

While recession and unemployment cast shadows over debt crisis-fighting efforts on the streets in Madrid and Lisbon, where marchers demonstrated Saturday, and in Barcelona, where a million called for Catalonia's independence earlier in the week, at the very top the feeling is one of breathing easier.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Italian premier Mario Monti hailed what they called "a good week for Europe and the euro," Merkel's spokesman Steffen Seibert said after the pair spoke by telephone on Friday.

The German Constitutional Court's green light for Europe's blocked bailout

fund was the main factor for them, alongside a vote won by Dutch Prime Minister and staunch ally Mark Rutte, despite concessions to far-right voters.

European Central Bank President Mario Draghi said things were falling into "the right place" after the announcement of potentially unlimited buying of eurozone government bonds on sell-on markets under bailout-like conditions.

The Greek bailout, however, will likely only become clearer come an October 18-19 summit of EU leaders in Brussels.

Greek Prime Minister Antonis Samaras is close to winning a two-year extension to meet fiscal pledges, and a liquidity boost from the ECB, in exchange for a new austerity package worth 11.7 billion euros (\$15 billion) to avoid leaving the eurozone.

"We are talking about an extension to 2016," he told the Wall Street Journal.

New figures are also due soon from Spain on financing needs at its banks, although it has yet to be established how Madrid can avoid a full sov-

ereign bailout after the 100-billion-euro deal agreed in June for loans to recapitalise its banks.

Overall, markets have responded positively, turning their focus elsewhere, although analysts remain prudent.

The decisions by the ECB, the German court and Dutch voters "have diminished the risk of short-term negative scenarios for the eurozone," according to Amsterdam-based ING.

However, they have their doubts that the "good week" extends far below the surface.

Italy and France also suffer from a lack of competitiveness, Greek debt has not become any more sustainable and all the data suggests that the most successful European economies have already been dragged down by the turbulence in the eurozone periphery.

Harder-line Capital Economics of London saw "bolstered hopes" of a "turning point", but sneered that "September could yet prove to be another false dawn," and held to their longstanding line that "Greece's bail-out will probably collapse, resulting in it leaving the eurozone."



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Occupy Wall Street mark anniversary



NEW YORK (AFP) - Occupy Wall Street marks its first anniversary today by attempting to blockade the New York Stock Exchange and re-launch the movement against what it sees as inequality, organizers said.

The social protest movement has seen a steep drop in support since it was founded a year ago, when hundreds of people camped in Zuccotti Park near Wall Street to protest bank bailouts and what they called the ruling "one percent."

But activists promised to make a comeback on the September 17 anniversary, about six weeks before Americans decide whether to reelect President Barack Obama or bring in his Republican challenger Mitt Romney.

About 250 of them already marched on Broadway Saturday in an opening salvo of anniversary celebrations. Police said several people were arrested, but declined to give an exact number. The New York Times put the number of those detained at at least 15.

The arrested, according to

the paper, included a woman who tried to burn an American flag and got into an argument with a man who tried to stop her.

"This first year anniversary is the opportunity to put our concerns, the concerns of the 99 percent of the people, on the top of the agenda again," Chris James, a 26-year-old student from Brooklyn and one of the organizers of the upcoming event, told AFP.

Last year's protests brought together activists from major US cities like Chicago, Seattle and Portland. There were supporters even from Spain and the Netherlands.

SATURDAY'S Crossword Answer

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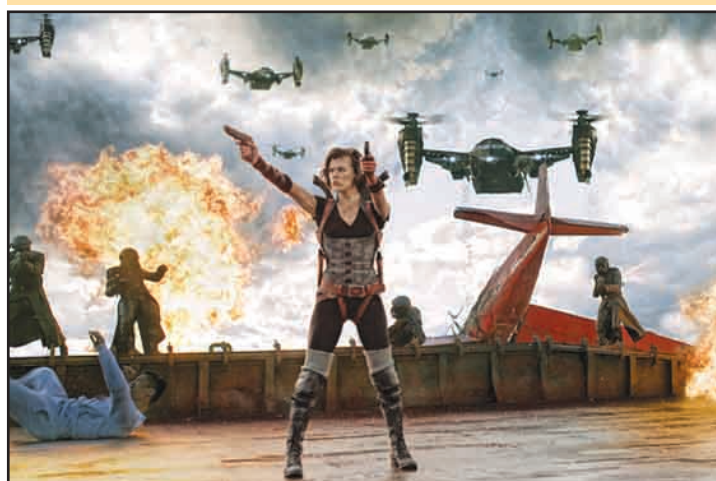
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'Resident Evil: Retribution' tops N. America box office



Milla Jovovich in Resident Evil-5

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Science fiction thriller "Resident Evil: Retribution" topped the North American box office at

the weekend, holding off the 3D version of "Finding Nemo," estimates showed Sunday.

'Idol' names its judges:

The Fox singing competition 'Idol' has increased its celeb quotient, adding rapper Nicki Minaj and country singer-songwriter Keith Urban to a Season 12 judging panel that also will feature pop diva Mariah Carey and original judge Randy Jackson.

Minaj, 29, known for explicit, animated lyrics and sexy, outlandish costumes, has seen her career powered by two hit albums, Pink Friday (2010) and Pink Friday: Roman Reloaded (2012).

Grammy winner Urban, 44, who last week announced he was bowing out of Australian's version of The Voice, released his sixth studio album, Get Closer, in 2010.

With the additions, Idol returns to the four-judge format that it abandoned two seasons ago. The new judges will replace Jennifer Lopez and Steven Tyler, who announced their departures this summer after two seasons.

Both films were making their debut but the former, starring Milla Jovovich, took \$20.6 million in receipts, ahead of "Finding Nemo," which earned \$17.5 million, according to box office tracker Exhibitor Relations.

Last week's number one, "The Possession," a supernatural thriller starring Kyra Sedgwick, was knocked into third

but it was a long way back on the leaders with just \$5.8 million in takings this weekend.

Depression-era gangster tale "Lawless" fell from second place last week to fourth after earning \$4.2 million, with "ParaNorman," an animated movie about a boy who can speak to the dead, (\$3.04 million) holding on to fifth spot.

Action romp "The Expendables 2," starring Sylvester Stallone and Arnold Schwarzenegger, continued its drop, finishing sixth this weekend on \$3.03 million.

"The Words," a literary drama about an author who earns fame by stealing another writer's work, was in seventh place, with \$2.88 million in sales, just ahead of "The Bourne Legacy" which earned \$2.875 million.

In ninth place, quirky fantasy-comedy "The Odd Life of Timothy Green" brought in \$2.5 million.

Rounding out the top 10 was political spoof "The Campaign," starring Will Ferrell and Zach Galifianakis, which took in \$2.4 million.



NIMES, France: French matador Sebastien Castella performs a muleta pass to a Daniel Ruiz fighting bull, on Sunday during the Bullfighting wine harvest feria in Nimes, southern France.

AFP PHOTO

Healthy, tasty treats on the menu at Lecca Lecca

No foray to Oranjestad is complete without a stop to refresh and refuel at Lecca Lecca, the stylish "Gelato Shoppe" located right in the main bus terminal. This adorable eatery sports a menu that reflects the passion of its owner, Milly Lacle, for "healthy, natural foods, for a healthy body."

The idea of a sweet treat being good for you is contrary to everything we are being told today, but Milly did her homework before establishing her gelato and sorbetto factory on the second floor. Her recipes come from a respected gelato house in Italy, where they have been producing the refreshing, low or no fat product since the 1800's. She continues the tradition of using only fresh fruit juices and natural extracts to as flavoring.



Favorites and unique flavors like grapefruit and lemon mint

fluffy naturally, producing a satisfying treat drastically lower in fat, sugar and calories than traditional ice cream.

Unique flavors found nowhere else are a revelation. For a delightful surprise and pure refreshment, sample the grapefruit, passion fruit or carrot sorbetto; the rich, dark, sugar-free chocolate gelato is absolutely sinful, without the guilty conscience! They also have a unique collection of yogurt gelatos swirled with fresh fruit sorbetto in delightful combinations.

Lecca Lecca offers an attractive lunch menu including quiche made with only fresh vegetables, and sandwiches on crusty bread they prepare in their own bakery. Indulge in the soup of the day for a

hearty sampling of authentic Aruban cooking.

Opened Monday through Saturday from 9:30 AM until 7:00 PM; it is a must do while in Oranjestad for a refreshing treat, with the emphasis on FRESH!



Fresh vegetable quiche

There are absolutely no artificial colorants or preservatives in the gelato and sorbetto, which is produced fresh daily; leftovers at the end of the day are donated to children's homes Casa Cuna or Imeldahoff. They have over 60 flavors on their roster with 18 available at the shop each day, including at least one sugar-free and one-gluten free for those with special dietary needs. All the gelato is made from organic milk flown in from Italy, guaranteed free of steroids and antibiotics. Lecca Lecca pasteurizes the milk in their factory, to be sure there are no chemicals used in the process. The end product is whipped light and



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Gold Coast Aruba: Great savings for large families on holiday rentals



Aruba's newest and most innovative gated community has enjoyed steady sales since breaking ground, as many are finding the secure surroundings and outstanding amenities are just what they were looking for before considering purchasing property on the island. Some owners are using the villas or town homes as vacation retreats rather than full time and are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," noted Gold Coast developer Fito Croes. To assist in the demand for more complete facilities for groups and families, famed hotelier Ed Malone has been placed in charge of the rental program.

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SPORTS

Boxing: Martinez survives knockdown to dethrone Chavez



Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. of Mexico (L) slams a left to the head of Sergio Martinez of Argentina (R)

LAS VEGAS (AFP) - Sergio Martinez survived a late knockdown to reclaim the World Boxing Council's middleweight belt on week-end when he defeated Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. by a unanimous points decision.

Martinez, 37, dominated and was leading comfortably on the judges' scorecards when he got into trouble in the 12th and final round, and the Argentine had to survive a late onslaught by Chavez as they went toe-to-toe.

Chavez knocked Martinez down in the final round but the veteran was able to hang on in front of a sold-out crowd at the Thomas and Mack Center arena in Las Vegas.

"He caught me with a good left hook and I lost my balance," Martinez said.

Judges Stanley Christodoulou (117-110), Adalaide Byrd (118-109) and Dave Moretti (118-109) all scored it in favour of Martinez.

Martinez, who came into the fight as a 2-1 favourite, improved to 50-2-2 with 28 knockouts.

The 26-year-old Chavez, son of one of the greatest boxer's in Mexican history by the same name, was making his fourth defence of the WBC middleweight crown, which at one time belonged

Chavez said. "I think a rematch is justified. I hurt him like no one else before."

Ringside officials said Chavez landed 37 power punches in the final round while Martinez connected with just eight.

But overall, Martinez landed 390 of 908 punches compared to 178 of 322 for Chavez.

Asked if he would give Chavez a rematch, Martinez said: "Of course, I'm ready to start training again."

Martinez was stripped of



Sergio Martinez of Argentina celebrates after winning the WBC middleweight title with a 12-round unanimous decision over Julio Cesar Chavez Jr.

to Martinez.

"I had him hurt, but I couldn't finish him off,"

his WBC title belt two years ago.

MLB has its 500,000th error 'winner'

Miami Marlins shortstop Jose Reyes committed the 500,000th error in baseball history Saturday night, capping 136 years of blunders, screw-ups and varying fielding faux pas with the most simple of E-6s: a bobble.

In the top of the seventh inning, Cincinnati Reds center fielder Drew Stubbs hit a two-hop groundball to Reyes, who fielded it cleanly before juggling the ball trying to hurry a throw. There were no celebrations, no confetti showers and no Champagne spraying to mark the occasion.

Reyes' prize: His name trended on Twitter nationally – and ignominiously.



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MADRID : Atletico Madrid's Brazilian forward Diego da Silva Costa (L) vies with Rayo Vallecano's midfielder Javier Fuego during the Spanish league football match Atletico Madrid vs Rayo Vallecano at the Vicente Calderon stadium in Madrid yesterday. Atletico Madrid move into fifth spot, one place ahead of Ray, with a 4-3 win over Rayo Vallecano.

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GIJON, Spain (AFP) - Spain reached their fourth Davis Cup final in five years after David Ferrer gave them a 3-1 semi-final victory over the United States by beating John Isner 6-7 (3/7), 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 on Sunday. Unimpeded by the absence of injured Rafael Nadal, Spain will travel to the Czech Republic for the final on November 16-18, after the Czechs defeated Argentina in Buenos Aires. It was Ferrer's 16th Davis Cup victory in a row on clay and Spain's 24th home Davis victory in a row. The final in November will be the ninth they have reached in the competition. The United States -- the most successful team overall in Davis Cup history with 32 victories -- admitted they were not favourites when they came to Spain for the tie. Nadal could make a return for the final in November if he recovers from the knee injury that kept him out of the Olympics and the US Open this summer, but Spain's team coach Corretja avoided speculating about it.

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Minister Visser and Mr. Betrian were then invited to take to the mound and home plate to throw and hit the ball

that would officially start the baseball season, which will last until the end of April. The minister expressed his great satisfaction in the increased number of teams this year, and interest in island youth in sports and keeping fit. Aruba has been particularly prominent in the past three years on the international circuit, winning the Caribbean Little

League title last year as well as the Junior and Senior Latin titles in 2010. The Senior League players went on to make history and win the World Series, becoming Aruba's first champion team.

Aruba has sixteen baseball organizations with teams in all three divisions, as well as a number of independently sponsored teams. Eliciting chuckles were the adorable players of the Rookie League; the diminutive players were adorable in their uniforms and saluted the bleachers with style. One only had to see the enormous enthusiasm by both players and parents to understand that baseball is an important part of life for many Aruban families.

by Rosalie Klein



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Baseball Season for youth leagues starts on Aruba



Minister Visser swings

Amateur Baseball Bond Aruba, ABBA, held a rousing opening ceremony at the Nadi Croes/Crismo Angela Stadium in Santa Croes on Saturday morning, September 15. Baseball may be dubbed "the great American pastime," but it has its fanatical fans on Aruba, particularly the parents that filled the bleachers to watch their youngster parade down the field and salute the crowd.

Saturday's event introduced the sixty-five youth teams competing in Little, Junior and Senior league divisions; the national champs will travel to represent their island internationally. This

year, the Junior League team won the Latin American title to go on to the World Series in Michigan, and take second place in the world championships.

President of ABBA, Gregory Chirino, was proud to welcome Minister of Public Health and Sport, Dr. Richard Visser to the event. They were joined by ABBA Vice President Johnny Martes in presenting a place to this year's honoree, Richard Be-train, for the great contributions he has made to the sport and youth leagues over the years.

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NHL lockout official

There were supposed to be no formal announcements, but the NHL lockout began the moment Saturday turned into Sunday. Cancellation were on the owners' agenda as they try to force the players to accept a collective bargaining agreement that may not be in their best interests. After the two sides met informally on Saturday afternoon, each side released a statement at midnight, after NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly declined further talks with NHLPA special counsel Steve Fehr, when learning that the players remained uninterested in making a deal that would substantially lower their salaries.